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To : Anita M. King – Examiner @ USPTO**Date:** 07/14/04**From:** Robert J. Lemire**Subject:** Selection of species to Application # 10/731,207; in response to Office Action
Dated 06/16/04

Dear Ms. King ,

The invention being claimed is a “SYSTEM” for “POSITIONING & LOCKING” an object – Claim #1 (to be revised with adding the word “POSITIONING”), and a “SYSTEM” for “POSITIONING, LEVELING & LOCKING” an object – Claim #3 (to be revised with adding the word “LEVELING”).

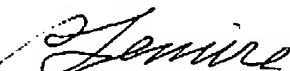
Claim 2 is the species that refers back to Claim #1, and claim 6 is the species that refers back to claim #3.

The object is to obtain a patent on the spring locking capability of the picture hanger designs I already hold a patent on. There are benefits to having the spring locking that are not covered by my existing patent.

I will submit an amendment with revised claims in a few days. I have to get this “election of species” out now in order to meet the 6/16/2004 deadline for my response.

I hope that this satisfies the requirement to select a species. If not, please give me a call at 631-979-1939, or FAX me your comments at 631-979-2169.

Sincerely yours,



Robert J. Lemire